

**MONTANA PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION
CONTRACTS PROCESS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Draft Minutes

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March 2, 2007

Call to Order

The meeting of the Contracts Process Committee of the Montana Public Defender Commission was called to order by Chairman Mike Sherwood at approximately 9:45 a.m.

Commissioners Present

Mike Sherwood

Other Interested Parties

Larry Murphy, OPD Contract Manager

General Discussion

The Committee discussed Commissioner Sherwood's proposal for a revised hourly rate which provides incentives to contract attorneys that meet the OPD proficiency standards, employ support staff, or have computer research capabilities. A Contract/Conflict Attorney Survey will be used to gather additional data to be used in developing the rate structure.

Public Comment

There was none.

Old Business/New Business (*Action Items)

There were no action items.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:30.